TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 423 - HB 872

April 1, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires hearings on juvenile traffic offenses to be held at a time that does not interfere with the juvenile's academic schedule.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000*

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 37-1-146, hearings on juvenile traffic offenses are granted at the request of the juvenile or the juvenile's parent.
- From information collected from some of the counties, it appears that some counties would need part-time staff or a night court to meet the provisions of the bill.
- Due to a number of unknown factors such as the different times that schools release students, the number of juvenile traffic violations in each county that request hearings, and the staff availability after normal business hours, it is reasonably estimated that local governments will incur an increase in expenditures by an amount which exceeds \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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^{*}Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.